

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Jerry Dale Pack and Luther Stoddard

Attorney Docket: 17427PCTUS

Serial No.: 09/701,478

Filing Date: November 29, 2000

For: TAMPER RESISTANT CLOSURE

DECLARATION FOR UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION

As the below named inventors, we hereby declare that:

Our residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to our names.

We believe we are the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **TAMPER RESISTANT CLOSURE** the specification of which was filed on November 29, 2000, under Application Serial No. 09/701,478.

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a).

We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent, foreign inventor's certificate(s), or U. S. provisional application(s) listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed: None.

We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, we acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a) which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application: PCT/US99/12,110 filed June 1, 1999, and a priority date of June 1, 1998 of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/087,517.

We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under § 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

POWER OF ATTORNEY

As named inventors, we hereby appoint the following attorneys to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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ASSIGNMENT OF INVENTION AND PATENT RIGHTS

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

WHEREAS, LUTHER B. STODDARD, of Mead, Colorado and JERRY DALE PACK of Garvin County, Oklahoma are inventors and owners of a new and useful improvement in TAMPER RESISTANT CLOSURE on which utility patent application for United States Letters Patent was filed on November 29, 2000 under Application Serial No. 09/701,478; and

WHEREAS, BURFORD CORP. of Garvin County, Oklahoma, an Oklahoma corporation, desires to acquire the entire right, title and interest of LUTHER B. STODDARD and JERRY DALE PACK in and to said invention and said application for patent, and any patents which may issue thereon;

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, LUTHER B. STODDARD and JERRY DALE PACK for value received, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, and for other good and valuable considerations, do hereby sell, assign and convey unto the said BURFORD CORP. all of our entire right, title and interest for all countries in and to said invention, above identified, and to said application, and to any Letters Patent which may issue thereon, domestic and foreign; and the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is hereby requested to issue said Letters Patent in accordance with this assignment; and we hereby agree that we will sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuation and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths, and generally do everything possible to aid said corporation, its successors, assigns and nominees to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said improvements in all countries.

EXECUTED this _____ day of _____, A.D., 2001.



LUTHER B. STODDARD

BEFORE ME, a Notary Public, on this day personally appeared LUTHER B. STODDARD, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and considerations therein expressed.

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GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE, this _____ day of
_____, A.D. 2001.

Print Name of Notary Public

[Seal]

Notary Public in and for the
County of _____
My commission expires the _____
day of _____, _____.

EXECUTED this 19th day of January, A.D., 2001.

Jerry Dale Pack
JERRY DALE PACK

BEFORE ME, a Notary Public, on this day personally appeared JERRY DALE PACK, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and considerations therein expressed.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE, this 19th day of
January, A.D. 2001.

Marlene Blackburn
Print Name of Notary Public

[Seal]

Marlene Blackburn
Notary Public in and for the
County of Garvin
My commission expires the 30th day
of August, 2004.

